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MINUTES OF THE GEOGRAPHIC RESEARCH AREA STAFF MEETING, 11 MARCH 1957

PRESENT: [REDACTED]

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1. Fitness Report

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[REDACTED] reported that no opportunity was given OTR to present the comments on the present Fitness Report form which were made at the previous Geographic Area staff meeting. Some of the changes already agreed upon by Management Staff will, however, parallel Geographic Area conclusions, and most of them constitute real improvement.

2. Training Requirements

A review of training requirements for the 4th quarter of FY 1957 and all of FY 1958 has been requested by St/A for transmission to OTR. Individual division reports will be submitted to Acting Chief/G by OGB, 14 March. Only area and language training requirements will be covered.

3. Map Destruction

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D/GC reported a case in which premature destruction of maps have occurred in D/GL. [REDACTED] will coordinate with [REDACTED] to review the case in point and re-examine the over-all basis for selection that is followed by D/GL.

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5. Geodesy and the IGY

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[REDACTED] is presently participating in an informal, inter-agency committee concerned with geodetic intelligence aspects of the IGY. In this context, [REDACTED] inquired after a State Department cable which requests guidance on the display of geodetic equipment in Bucharest. The matter will be taken up directly with D/GL, the apparent recipient of CIA's copy.

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*6. Information Control

The probable departure of [REDACTED] for a procurement desk slot in D/GL raises a question as to the advisability of continuing the Information Control Section in its present form. [REDACTED] will review all aspects of the question and report back to the group. 25X1A9a 25X1A9a

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